

## **Weare Open Space Committee**

Minutes

2-24-09

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Members attending: George Malette, John Ciampi, Pat Myers.

Guests: none.

Meeting started at 7:05 pm. Steve was out of town, and with such a small group we dispensed with a formal chair.

Minutes of the January 27, 2009 meeting were reviewed and several minor corrections made. In the Dot O'Neil section, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence, the word walk should be added after the word site. In the New Contact section at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence, the word area should be added after the word general. In the Pope section delete the 3<sup>rd</sup> word in. Also in that section, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence the word should be spelled Piscataquog. George made motion to accept the minutes with these corrections. Pat seconded the motion and all voted to approve.

Saving Special Places Conference – Pat brought a flyer for this annual land conservation conference. This year it will be held at Gilford High School on April 4<sup>th</sup> 8:30 – 4:00.

Volunteer Qualifications – George mentioned that the BOS is considering requiring certain qualifications of town board and committee volunteers. There was general discussion of what this might mean for recruiting of members.

Lauretta Phillips – Pat reported on her phone contact with Lauretta Phillips who owns the small parcel with the cabin at the top of Chipmunk Falls. Ms Phillips is interested in selling the piece outright, rather than putting a CE on it. She would be happy to see it protected in its relatively undisturbed condition. Pat said she would send out her complete notes from the conversation with Ms. Phillips to WOSC members.

NRI – There was a brief discussion on the status of the NRI project. Pat had forwarded to WOSC members a status report and website links she had received that afternoon from Pete Ingrahm. George said he had down loaded the maps but hadn't seen the status report. Pat said she would send it again. She mentioned the spreadsheet showing conservation lands information that needed to be checked or corrected. John Ciampi provided the missing name of the land trust holding the CE on his property, The Wildlife Land Trust out of Washington, DC.

There being no other business, George made the motion to adjourn which Pat seconded. All voted in favor of the motion at 8:45 pm.

A final note: This was John Ciampi's last meeting as his retirement begins on Friday and he and Cora move to Gorham, NH. The Weare Open Space Committee will miss his steadfast service.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Myers

Filling in for J. Ciampi, WOSC Secretary, retired.